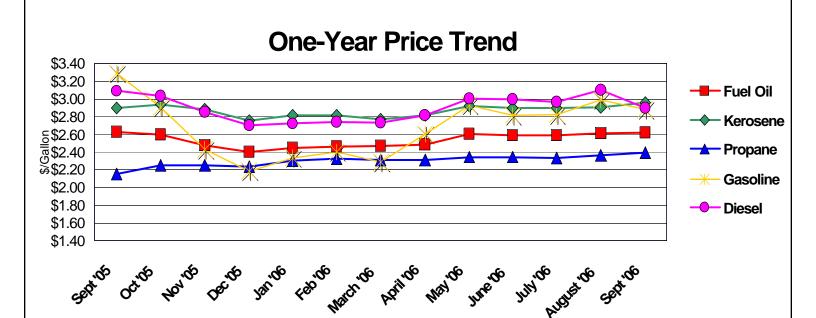
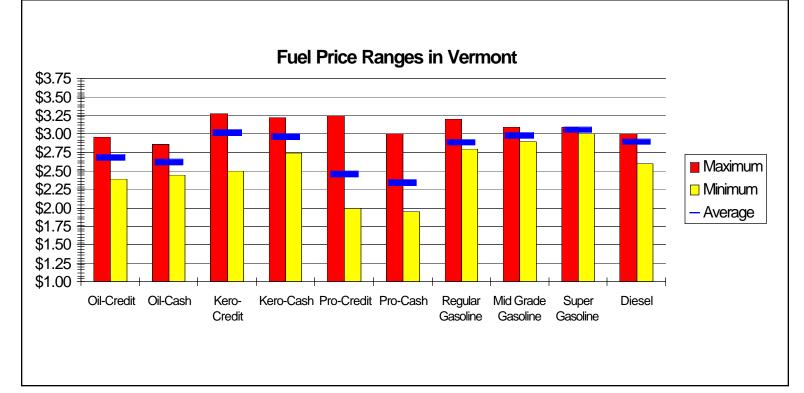
Vermont Fuel Price Report

September 2006



	Vermont Average Retail Petroleum Prices (per gallon)						
	Sept '06	August '06	%change	Sept '05	%change		
No. 2 Fuel Oil	\$2.62	\$2.61	0.27%	\$2.63	-0.27%		
Kerosene	\$2.95	\$2.91	1.63%	\$2.90	2.01%		
Propane	\$2.40	\$2.36	1.40%	\$2.15	11.51%		
Reg. Unleaded Gasoline	\$2.88	\$2.99	-3.51%	\$3.29	-12.39%		
Diesel	\$2.90	\$3.10	-6.42%	\$3.09	-6.37%		

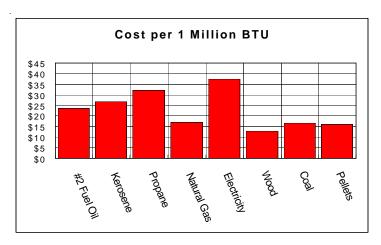


Gasoline and Diesel Prices

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has reported that as of September 4th (two days before our fuel price survey was conducted) the national average retail price of regular gasoline was \$2.73 per gallon and the New England average price was \$2.81 per gallon. As of September 11th the national average price of gasoline had decreased to \$2.62 and the New England average price has decreased to \$2.72. This was the fifth week in a row that gasoline prices dropped. EIA attributes the decrease in prices to higher then average gasoline stocks for this time of year, the normal expected seasonal decline in gasoline demand, and the changeover from summer-grade gasoline to winter-grade gasoline (which is less expensive to produce). The EIA predicts that retail prices will continue to decrease for the next few weeks.

As of September 4th the national average retail price of diesel was \$2.97 and the New England average price was \$3.01 per gallon. By September 11th diesel prices had decreased further with a national average price of \$2.86 and a New England average price of \$2.96.

Comparing the Cost of Heating Fuels							
Type of Energy	BTU/unit	Adj Effic	\$/unit	\$/MMBtu			
Fuel Oil, gallon	138,200	80%	\$2.61	\$23.64			
Kerosene, gallon	136,600	80%	\$2.91	\$26.61			
Propane, gallon	91,600	80%	\$2.36	\$32.26			
Natural Gas, therm	100,000	80%	\$1.36	\$17.00			
Electricity, kwh	3,412	100%	\$0.13	\$37.51			
Wood, cord (green)	22,000,000	60%	\$170.00	\$12.88			
Coal, ton	24,000,000	60%	\$242.50	\$16.84			
Pellets, ton	16,400,000	80%	\$210.00	\$16.01			



Vermont Fuel Price Survey

Starting in October the Department of Public Service will be conducting the Vermont fuel price survey for heating oil, propane and kerosene on a weekly basis until the end of the heating season in March. Weekly average fuel prices will be included in the *Vermont Fuel Price Report* or are available by contacting Kelly Launder at kelly.launder@state.vt.us.

NOTE: The Vermont Fuel Price Report is published monthly by the Vermont Department of Public Service. Prices are collected on or about the first Monday of each month and reflect dealer discounts for cash or self-service, except propane prices, which are an average of the credit and discount price. For more information please contact Kelly Launder at 1-800-642-3281 or (802) 828-4039 or by email at kelly.launder@state.vt.us.